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Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitation recited originally in claim 4, which the Examiner has indicated as allowable subject matter. Accordingly, Applicant asserts that claim 1 and dependent claims 2, 3 and 6, as amended, are not anticipated by Roskind and respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) of claims 1, 2, 3 and 6. Claim 4 has been canceled.

Claim 7 has been rewritten, as the Examiner suggested, in independent form by incorporating the features originally recited in claim 1. Accordingly, Applicant asserts that claim 7 and dependent claims 8-10, as amended, are not anticipated by Roskind and respectfully submits that the objection to these claims has been overcome.

Claim 11 has been amended to include the limitation recited originally in claim 14, which the Examiner has indicated as allowable subject matter. Accordingly, Applicant asserts that claim 11 and dependent claims 12, 13 and 16, as amended, are not anticipated by Roskind and respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) of claims 11, 12, 13 and 16. Claim 14 has been canceled.

Claim 17 has been rewritten, as the Examiner suggested, in independent form by incorporating the features originally recited in claim 11. Accordingly, Applicant asserts that claim 17 and dependent claims 18-20, as amended, are not anticipated by Roskind and respectfully submits that the objection to these claims has been overcome.

Claim 21 has been amended to include the limitation originally recited in claims 4 and 14, which the Examiner has indicated as allowable subject matter. Applicant asserts

that claim 21, as amended, is not anticipated by Roskind for at least the same reasons the Examiner found the previous versions of claims 4 and 14 to include allowable subject matter. Applicant, therefore, respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) of claims 21, and dependent claims 22 and 23.

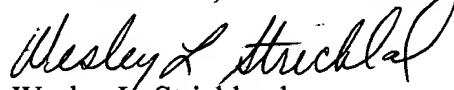
SUMMARY:

In view of the above amendments, it is believed that, as amended, claims 1-3, 5-13 and 15-23 are now in condition for allowance and passage of this case to issue is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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